

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 5079

February Session, 2002

LCO No. 543

Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING LOCALLY GROWN FARM PRODUCTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 22-38 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002*):
- 3 Only farm products grown and eggs produced in Connecticut shall
- 4 be advertised or sold in Connecticut as "Native", "Native-Grown",
- 5 "Connecticut-Grown" or under terms of similar import. Any person,
- 6 firm, partnership or corporation advertising farm products as "Native",
- 7 "Native-Grown" or "Connecticut-Grown" shall be required to furnish
- 8 proof that such products were grown or produced in Connecticut if
- 9 requested to do so by the Commissioner of Agriculture. <u>Any products</u>
- 10 grown within a ten-mile radius of the product's sale location may be
- 11 <u>labeled as "local" or "locally-grown".</u> Any person who violates any
- 12 provision of this section shall be fined not more than twenty-five
- 13 dollars for each violation.

| This act shall take effect as follows: | |
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| Section 1 | July 1, 2002 |

Statement of Purpose:

To define a popularly used marketing term.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]